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SUBJECT: BELIZE DEMARCHES DELIVERED: REJECTING RUSSIAN RECOGNITION OF SOUTH OSSETIA AND ABKHAZIA AS INDEPENDENT STATES

REF: A. STATE 91894 ¶B. STATE 90978

Classified By: Ambassador Robert J. Dieter for reason 1.4(b) and (d)

PolOff delivered reftel demarches to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Desk Officer Ayesha Borland. Ms. Borland stated that Belize has no intention of recognizing these states. Ms. Borland also noted that the GOB has not as of August 27, received any lobbying demarches from Russia regarding the matter. Post will continue to report on any substantive response.

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